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Date: April 25, 2016

City, State: Unknown

Narrative:

Email Received:

Hello,

We have a huge problem, with a collar against flea and tick, Seresto collar.

Our cat (9 months old) made a very severe reaction, his back is completely burnt, and he has no hair anymore.

We need help, the laboratory Bayer we called, doesn't seem to hear us.

We would like to let the customers know about this possible huge effect.

We had a lot of medical invoice from the vet and we don't know, how many time it takes to come back normal.

I send you pictures.

Hope you can give us, a contact who is in charge of side effects because of a vet product which sells everywhere.

Thank you for your attention.

Bests regards

Email Response:

Thank you for emailing and reporting an adverse health effect to a pesticide. I am very sorry to hear about the situation with your cat. If he is still experiencing symptoms, you may consider contacting your pet's regular veterinarian or one of the animal poison control centers listed below.

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at 1-888-426-4435 (\$65.00 credit card fee) VET PETS at 1-800-572-5842 (\$45.00 credit card fee) Pet Poison Helpline at 1-800-213-6680 (\$39.00 credit card fee)

Please call us at 800-858-7378 Monday - Friday from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm PT and speak directly to a Pesticide Specialist to further report and discuss the situation. In order to complete your report, we need to identify the specific product. Please have the EPA registration number or the active ingredient(s) available when you call. This information is specific to each product and located on the label. If you no longer have the package, you might consider visiting or contacting the retail store from which it was purchased to obtain this information.

The National Pesticide Information Center at Oregon State University is an information service and has no regulatory authority in relation to pesticides. However, our incident reports are made available to the U.S. EPA. Furthermore, our website features a reporting database that veterinarians can use to report adverse effects related to pesticide products. Please be aware this resource is only for veterinarians. Please consider encouraging your veterinarian to submit a report through this portal when they observe adverse reactions to pesticide products. The link for this portal is provided below.



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Veterinary Pesticide Adverse Effects Reporting http://npic.orst.edu/vet

An additional mode of reporting adverse effects is by contacting the manufacturer. Under FIFRA 6(a)(2), manufacturers are required to submit adverse effects information about their products to the U.S. EPA. From your email, it sounds like the manufacturer may have been Bayer - Bayer appears to have a phone number specifically for their Bayer Animal Health division. If you haven't contacted them directly, you may consider calling them to report this issue. Their number, as well as additional manufacturer contact information can be accessed from the following link (alphabetical order):

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http://npic.orst.edu/ingred/manuf.htm

Again, please contact us at 800-858-7378, Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 12:00pm PT. We look forward to answering any questions you have, and documenting your situation further.

Possible product information (per NPIRS database): active ingredient flumethrin and imidacloprid.

Inquirer sent follow up email with photos of cat's hair loss; no further incident details provided. Provided information to EPA, Executive Committee and Project Coordinator.



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